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THE CLOSING CRUISE.

GALA DAY CONCLUDES YACHTING SEASON.

SAILING AND ROWING RACES.

SEASON'S PRIZES PRESENTED.

All sports have their "official" seasons with opening and finishing dates and Saturday saw the conclusion of another successful season for the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. In honour of the occasion the Club House, grounds and fleet were gaily decked with flags and there was a programme of sailing and rowing events.

At the conclusion of the racing, the Vice-Commodore of the Club (Mr. A. L. Shields) reviewed the past season; and Mrs. Shields distributed the prizes won on Saturday, and also the trophies won throughout the Season. Lady Clementi, who sailed a yacht on Saturday, won a third prize in one of the Ladies races.

The weather for the closing cruise proved kind. It was very warm at the outset of the programme, but as the afternoon wore on the heat was tempered with a cooling breeze.

The racing throughout proved very interesting, especially in the principal event, the Admiral Leveson Challenge Cup, competition. This was presented by the former Commander-in-Chief here for competition between His Majesty's units of all Services and local "Hong" crews. This cup has been won twice by the officers of the *Titania*, and once by the Public Works Department. Crossing the line for the fourth time on Saturday, the *Titania*'s crew, won the trophy outright, this being their third win and twice in succession. For the first time the Volunteers entered a team and came in second.

ROWING EVENTS.

The first rowing event was the contest for the Leveson Cup. Four crews competed, and the results were as under:—

1. H.M.S. *Titania*:—Lt. G. Tanner (bow), Lt. W. Moir (2), Lt. G. W. D. Duncan (3), Lt. E. R. Gibson (str.), Lt. Comdr. T. I. S. Bell (cox).
2. Volunteers:—J. C. M. Smith (bow), C. B. Easterbrook (2), J. L. Stanton (3), K. S. Robertson (tr.), F. P. Lenfesty (cox).
3. B. & S.:—J. W. Robertson (bow), J. D. Crawford (2), O. Moor (3), P. W. Blackwell (str.), J. Mackay (cox).
4. Hong Kong Bank:—J. H. Sutcliffe (bow), R. Macintyre (2), V. R. Jones (3), A. C. Groves (str.), M. Mills (cox).

From the start, the *Titania* took the lead, and established with the first few strokes a length lead. The Volunteers came along with the B. & S. team nearly level with them, and the Bank brought up the rear. The *Titania* rowing was of a steady character, and they soon increased their lead to two lengths. The race soon resolved itself into a struggle between the Volunteers and B. & S. for second place, for the *Titania* team had obviously won the race. The Bank lost way as the race progressed and never had a chance of pulling up to third or second place.

Nearing the half of the course, the Volunteers, who had been leading B. & S. by a quarter length, suddenly shot ahead and obtained a length lead, which the other team reduced to three-quarters length. The race ended with the *Titania* team winning by three lengths comfortably, and the Volunteers coming second, a length ahead of B. & S.

Club Pairs.

There were three boats competing in the Club Pairs race for the Percy Smith Challenge Cup, over a course of 1 mile and the final results were:—

Percy Smith Challenge Cup for Club Pairs. Distance, 1 mile:—1. Blue Crew: C. B. Easterbrook (bow), E. S. Robertson (stroke) and F. P. Lenfesty (cox); 2. White Crew: V. R. Jones (bow), A. C. Groves (stroke) and M. Mills (cox); 3. Red Crew: G. G. Thomson (bow), G. T. Padgett (stroke) and J. Mackay (cox).

The Reds led at the start, leaving the Whites and the Blues to fight for second place. The Blues, however, beat the Whites and went on to overhaul the Reds in the first quarter of a mile. After this there was no stopping for the Blues and they won by a good margin. The Reds and Whites had a gruelling fight for second place, the former losing a length.

SAILING EVENTS.

Combined English and Chinese Rigger Cruisers: Mr. P. M. Hodgson's *Azuma* (2.28.49), Messrs. H. Dreyer and K. Jansen's *Coquette* (2.30.15), Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rouse's *U* and (2.30.30), Messrs. Ryan, Moncrieff and Edwards' *Norman* (2.32.51), Capt. E. S. G. Howard's *Queen Bee* (2.34.44), Mr. T. King's *Brenda* (2.39.29), Mr. E. S. Carter's *Dorothy II* (2.41.47), and Mr. E. M. Raymond's *Lady Jean* (2.42.25).

On corrected time *Azuma* (2.27.34) yielded first place to *Coquette* (2.27.35). The other boats remained in the order in which they came in.

Ladies' Races.

Racing Yachts—Handicap Class. Course:—Messrs. J. L. Stanton and R. M. Jack's *Colleen* (3.33.41), Mr. N. Croucher's *Rolla* (3.37.01), Mr. C. E. L. Grist's *Dorothy* (3.37.02), Mr. A. L. Shields's *La Linda* (3.38.28) and Mr. H. J. Pearce's *Argylla II* (3.42.19).

On corrected time, *Colleen*, sailed by Miss Hazeland, maintained first place (3.32.08), *Dorothy*, sailed by Miss Butcher, took second place (3.33.37) and *La Linda*, sailed by Lady Clementi, third (3.38.14).

The times of the other two were *Rolla* (3.37.01) and *Argylla II* (3.39.18).

Hayward Hays and Gael Classes. These races were sailed simultaneously.

Hayward Hays.

Capt. W. Davidson's *Bluenose* (4.06.42), Mr. F. G. Vaux's *Boojum* (4.07.20), Commodore J. L. Pearson's *Admiral* (4.11.08), Mr. E. S. L. use's *Why Wonder* (4.11.58), Lt. Col. V. Coates' *Sealark* (4.21.07), Mr. R. J. Vennall's *Zephyr* (4.27.29) and Capt. J. Cardew's *Lola* did not finish. The first five yachts started at scratch and their finishing times were not corrected. *Zephyr*'s corrected time was 4.28.24. *Bluenose*, the winner, was sailed by Mrs. Miles; Miss Lewis sailed *Boojum* second, and Mrs. Adam's *Admiral* third.

Gaels.

Only three yachts sailed in this race and Mr. R. E. Mess' *Gael* did not finish the course. The winner was Messrs. H. J. Armstrong and R. O. Sutherland's *Joan*, sailed by Miss Bird (4.09.39 corrected to 4.06.27). Commodore F. Ratsey's *Alita*, being the only other yacht to finish, did not receive a prize. Her time was 4.10.29.

The Officials.

The Club officials present on Saturday were Vice-Commodore A. L. Shields, Rear Commodore (Capt.) W. Davidson, R.N.R., Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., R.N. (Sailing Committee), Mr. E. M. Jack (Captain, Rowing Committee) and Mr. F. J. Easterbrook (Hon. Secretary).

The officials for the day were:—

Officer of the Day:—Vice-Commodore A. L. Shields.

Starters and Umpires:—Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., R.N. Judge:—Messrs. W. Logan, S. J. Jordan and E. C. Grist.

Rowing Officers of the Day:—Messrs. H. C. Macnamara, R. L. Moncrieff, and D. Logan.

Clerk of Course:—(Sailing): Mr. A. W. van Andel.

Clerk of Course:—(Rowing): Mr. E. S. Carter.

Timekeeper:—Yeoman of Signals J. Swetland.

VICE-COMMODORE'S REVIEW.

A SUCCESSFUL SEASON.

At the conclusion the Vice-Commodore, Mr. A. L. Shields, addressing the gathering said:—In the absence of our Commodore, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, it is my privilege to welcome you to-day.

The *Titania* entry in spite of submarines being on the move have again won the Leveson Cup. They have crossed the line in this event four times and were only once beaten. This is their third win, twice in succession, and they have consequently won the cup outright. I am pleased that so many ladies have turned up to sail boats in spite of the hot weather, and congratulate those who have won.

I do not propose to detain you with a long review of the season's results. The display of cups before you is concrete evidence of the Sailing and Rowing Sections.

We have had some very close racing this season and ties have taken place in the Handicap Class Championship, the Cruiser Championship and the Ladies' Championship in the Handicap Class. This shows not only the keenness of the competitors but the fairness of the handicapping.

The Ladies' Day.

Turning to Heckstall Smith's Text Book of Yacht Racing. I find the following:—"Now there are many kinds of sailors but by far the greatest of all are the officers of the Royal Navy; their knowledge is altogether beyond that of other men who go upon the seas." I hope our Club members will get some grains of comfort from that quotation but I don't know what to offer them over the result of their match against the ladies.

On the date originally arranged, there was a gale of wind and the races had to be postponed. On the date subsequently fixed the weather conditions were almost as bad but whereas the lady competitors all brought their craft home without accident or foul and piled up a substantial margin of points the mere men had a series of mishaps.

In the afternoon the weather was so bad that further racing was impossible, so the ladies—bless them—carried off the honours on the result of the morning race.

The Committee are glad to see the increased interest taken in the Ladies' Championship Races and hope for a good turnout next year.

The new Club cruiser is now in commission, and I hope will be the forerunner of more yachts of her class. She is a handy seaworthy little ship and a great credit to her designers, Mr. Rouse and Mr. Goulborn.

THE SEASON'S PRIZES.

Afterwards Mrs. Shields gave away the prizes to the winners in the afternoon's programme (as recorded under "Results" above) and to the 1926-27 prize winners as under:—

Ladies' Championship.

Handicap Class:—1st *La Linda* (Mrs. F. Ratsey), 2nd *Colleen* (Miss Hazeland).

I. Y. and G. Classes:—1st *Boojum* (Miss B. F. N. Lewis), 2nd *Bluenose* (Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell), 3rd *Thecla*.

Race for Cups presented by Members of His Majesty's Services:—1st *Dorothy* (Mr. C. E. L. Grist), 2nd *Daphne* (Mr. Dreyer), 3rd *Boojum* (Mr. F. G. Vaux).

Raceo Race:—1st *Taty II* (Ward Room of H.M.S. *Tamar*), 2nd *Lady Jean* (Mr. E. M. Raymond), 3rd *La Cigale* (Mr. N. Croucher).

Championships.

Combined Cruiser Class:—1st *U and I* (Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rouse), 2nd *Coquette* (Messrs. H. Dreyer and K. Jansen), 3rd *La Cigale* (Mr. N. Croucher).

Handicap Class:—1st *Rolla* (Mr. N. Croucher), 2nd *Colleen* (Messrs. Jack and Stanton), 3rd *Dorothy* (Mr. C. E. L. Grist).

Hayward Hays Class:—1st *Bluenose* (Capt. W. Davidson, R.N.R.), 2nd *Boojum* (Mr. F. G. Vaux), 3rd *Why Wonder* (Mr. H. S. Rouse).

Gael and One Design Class:—1st *Daphne* (Lt. J. Thring, R.N.), 2nd *Alita* (Comdr. F. Ratsey, R.N.), 3rd *Halcyon* (Messrs. J. Fleming and H. Russell).

Other Prizes.

Commodore's Cup, Racing Yachts:—(Presented by E. W. Carpenter), *Colleen* (Messrs. Jack and Stanton), *Lola* (Capt. J. Cardew, R.N.).

Commodore's Cup, Cruisers:—(Presented by E. W. Carpenter), *La Cigale* (Mr. N. Croucher).

Vice-Commodore's Cup, Racing Yachts:—(Presented by A. L. Shields), *Diana* (Major Miles, R.M.), *Gael* (R. E. Mess).

Vice-Commodore's Cup, Cruisers:—(Presented by A. L. Shields), *Lady Jean* (Mr. E. M. Raymond).

Rear Commodore's Cup, Racing Yachts:—(Presented by Capt. W. Davidson, R.N.R.), *Alita* (Comdr. F. Ratsey, R.N.).

Rear Commodore's Cup, Cruisers:—(Presented by Capt. W. Davidson, R.N.R.), *La Cigale* (Mr. N. Croucher).

Chartered Bank:—1st *Boojum* (Mr. F. G. Vaux), 2nd *Why Wonder* (Mr. H. S. Rouse), 3rd *La Cigale* (Mr. N. Croucher).

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[By RAPIER.]

Owing no doubt to the many counter attractions the attendance at Kwantl was not so large as usual. The weather was gorgeous, the sport good and the intervals made enjoyable by the excellent programme of music discoursed by the Band of the 1st Batt. Camerounians under Bandmaster H. F. Dowell, L.R.A.M.

The hounds were shown by Messrs. Potts and Pym and formed a pleasing picture.

The Course was in good condition and the various tosses and refusals which took place added a touch of excitement to the meeting.

The "Bookies" had a successful day and a study of the odds they laid and those returned by the pari-mutuel shows up very much in favour of the latter method of backing.

The arrangements were well nigh perfect thanks to the hardworking Officials of the Meeting.

Mr. A. H. Potts, the acting Clerk of the Course, is going home on leave in a few days time. He has put in a tremendous amount of work in connection with the Steeplechase meetings and the Fanning Hunt of which he is the acting Master. Those have had the good fortune to be associated with him and to enjoy the sport for which he was to a great extent responsible will wish him the best of holidays.

The Racing.

The first race was won by Reidy on his own pony *October*. Most of the ponies refused early in the race and *Black Mouse* was in a dark mood otherwise Reidy would have had a fight for first place. As it was he secured an easy victory with *Black Mouse* beating Benjamin in the straight for second place.

Practically all the ponies refused early in the second race including the favourite *Archa* which simply would not look at the jumps. *Country Mouse*, an old M.I. favourite, jogged along on his own and won with the greatest of ease. The winner only carried three tickets for a win in the pari-mutuel and paid his backers \$133.30 and \$32.70 for a place. Sentiment apparently pays as the O.C. M.I. was one of the few fortunate backers of *Country Mouse*.

Reidy won the National as he liked. This pony has a beautiful action and is in a class of his own. He is owned by Mr. K. H. Chan, the Vice-President of the Macao Race Club, who was prevented from riding the pony by a recent fall. Reidy got the very last ounce out of *Mouse* and swept along in first style a quarter of a mile from but it was a hopeless task attempting to beat the winner. Reynolds took third place.

Potts secured a popular win on *Deerhound*. He brought his mount along at the right moment on the flat and left *James Pigg* to take second place with *Mora*. Better some distance away. Reidy's bad luck dogged him to the end. His mount, *York*, was posted but did not start. Had he done so he might have won as the pony has been going very strong.

Altogether Reidy had a bad day with *Archa* and *York* running out and *York* getting left out of this race. Those who backed this pony got their money back as he did not come under Starter's orders.

DETAILED RESULTS.

1.—The Maiden Plate: 7 Furlongs.

For steeplechase ponies that have started twice and not won; 1st \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

Dr. L. Reidy's *October* (Owner) 1
Lieut. C. Abel-Smith's *Black Mouse* (Owner) 2
Mr. H. C. Macnamara's *Benjamin* (Mr. Wallace) 3

Also ran:—Mr. A. E. McCartney's *Gymp* (Mr. Lucey); Lt. P. Q. Roberts's *Four of a Kind* (Mr. Stanton); Mr. F. T. Orr's *Shells* (Dr. Macgown).

Time: 2:44.
Won by many lengths; two lengths between second and third.

Starting prices:—2 to 1 on *October*; 4 to 1 against *Black Mouse*; 8 to 1 Benjamin, *Gymp*, *Four of a Kind*, *Shells*.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$3.50. Places: \$2.20; \$3.30; \$10.00.

2.—Easter Handicap: 1½ Miles.

1st \$50; 2nd \$20; 3rd \$10.

Mr. A. N. Lucey's *Country Mouse* (Owner) 1
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's *Hamdinger* (Mr. Stanton) 2

Also ran: Master Burgess Fearon's *Archa* (Dr. Reidy); Lt. Col. F. Hayley Bell's *Shady Joe* (Mr. Wallace); Mr. Jonathan's *Plum Pudding* (late The George and Vulture) (Dr. Macgown).

Time: 5:41.2.
Won by many lengths (only two finished).

Starting prices:—2 to 1 on *Archa*; 3 to 1 against *Hamdinger*; 8 to 1 *Country Mouse*; *Shady Joe*, *Plum Pudding*.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$133.30. Places: \$32.70, \$11.00.

3.—Fanning National: 2 Miles.

Winner a cup, 2nd \$25, 3rd, \$15.

Mr. E. H. Chan's *Easter Day* (Mr. Wallace) 1
Dr. L. Reidy's *Mowgli* (Owner) 2
Mr. W. T. Stanton's *Reynolds* (Owner) 3

Also ran:—Mr. R. J. Paterson's *Manager* (Mr. Abel-Smith); Mr. R. Charles's *Durian* (Mr. Potts).

Time: 5:11.
Won by many lengths; many lengths between second and third.

Starting prices:—Evens *Easter Day*; 2 to 1 against *Mowgli*; 3 to 1 *Reynolds*; 4 to 1 *Durian*.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$11.00. Places: \$7.50; \$7.40.

4.—April Stakes: 2 Miles.

For ponies regularly hunted with the Fanning foxhounds in season 1926/1927. 1st \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

Mr. A. H. Potts's *Craigavad* (Owner) 1
Dr. J. C. Macgown's *Blotting Paper* (Owner) 2
Mr. Burgess Fearon's *Isostacy* (Dr. Reidy) 3

Also ran:—Lt. P. Q. Roberts's *Four of a Kind* (Mr. Mattingley).

Time: 5:43.3.
Won by many lengths; many lengths between second and third.

Starting prices:—Evens *Isostacy*; 2 to 1 against *Craigavad*; *Blotting Paper*; 6 to 1 *Four of a Kind*.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$14.00. Places: \$7.50; \$7.50.

5.—Heavyweight Race: 1½ Miles.

1st \$50, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10.

Mr. J. J. Paterson's *Deer Hound* (Mr. Stanton) 1
Mr. H. C. Macnamara's *James Pigg* (Mr. Potts) 2
Lt. Col. V. Coates's *More Better* (Dr. Macgown) 3

Also ran:—Mr. M. M. Watson's *Vincent* (late *Pearl River*) (Owner); Lt. Col. L. J. Comyn's *Can Do* (Mr. Shillington); Mr. W. G. Mattingley's *Scissors* (Owner); Lt. Col. E. Hayley Bell's *Shady Joe* (Mr. Wallace); Lt. C. Abel-Smith's *Black Mouse* (Owner).

Mrs. E. M. Dyer's *York* (Dr. Reidy) was posted but did not start.

Starting prices:—2 to 1 on *Deer Hound*; 4 to 1 against *James Pigg*; *More Better*; *Stripes*; 8 to 1 *Vincent*; *Can Do*; *Shady Joe*; *Black Mouse*.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$7.80. Places: \$3.40; \$3.70; \$3.80.

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" 28	18.80
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Race IV.	\$133.00
" 6	38.00
" 22	13.20
Unplaced Nos. 1, 5.	

Race V.	\$82.40
" 18	20.40
" 8	13.20
Unplaced Nos. 135, 25, 2, 5, 15.	

CONFUCIUS IN EFFIGY.

"A WALKING-DOG OF IMPERIALISTS."

Pratna, April 16th.

A dispatch from Changsha tells of the daily parade of a straw effigy of Confucius. As the effigy is carried along, demonstrators whip it and shout slogans that Confucius is a walking-dog of the Imperialists.—Kuo Wan.

THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING.

THE HANDICAPS FOR NEXT SATURDAY.

The following are the handicaps for the 3rd extra race meeting to be held at Happy Valley, next Saturday:

5th Race: Commonwealth Handicap "A" Class: 6 Furlongs.

Ukelele, 167 lbs.; Flash Star, 164; The Gomeril, 161; Macao Beauty, 158; Leaf (late Four Nought Three), 153; Papyrus, 153; King of the Plains, 153; Misty Eve, 153; Dragon Boat, 152; Loongwa, 152; King of Troy, 152; Total Abstinence, 152; September, 149; Battle Eve, 149; Home Call, 149; Dick Lo, 148.

3rd Race: Commonwealth Handicap "B" Class: 6 Furlongs.

Grande del Norte, 168 lbs.; Dobbin, 164; Laceda II, 163; Pot-tenbush, 161; Espoir, 160; Grey Knight, 158; San Diego, 158; August, 155; Tangle, 155; Loch Tummel, 155; Little Sit Tang, 155; The Regent, 153; Kom-Tong Hall, 152; Barley Grass, 152; Sunburst Rose, 152; Bright Eve, 150; The Grig, 150; Spectre, 150.

2nd Race: Commonwealth Handicap "C" Class: 6 Furlongs.

Bing Boy, 162 lbs.; Scooter, 152; King Lian, 158; Festive Eve, 158; Easter Day, 155; Loch Rannoch, 152; Grey Streak, 149; Vincent (late Pearl River II), 148; The Sand Piper, 148; Valour, 145; Fire Call, 145; Salvo, 145; Furfurfield, 145; Jackie Coogan, 143; Sugar Loni, 140; Plum Pudding, 140; Cra, 140.

9th Race: Empire Handicap "A" Class: 1½ Miles.

Ukelele, 167 lbs.; Flash Star, 164; Brigade Call, 161; Macao Beauty, 158; Leaf (late Four Nought Three), 153; Papyrus, 153; King of the Plains, 153; The Gomeril, 153; Dragon Boat, 152; Ataboy, 152; Misty Eve, 152; King of Troy, 149; Total Abstinence, 149; The Gezer, 148.

6th Race: Empire Handicap "B" Class: 1½ Miles.

Dobbin, 168 lbs.; Grande del Norte, 166; Laceda II, 163; Pot-tenbush, 161; Espoir, 160; Grey Knight, 158; Bagheera, 158; August, 155; Tangle, 155; Loch Tummel, 155; San Diego, 155; Barley Grass, 152; Bright Eve, 150; Easter Day, 149; Loch Rannoch, 148.

MACAO ATHLETIC SPORTS.

A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

VISITORS AND COMPETITORS FROM HONG KONG.

The First Annual Inter-Club Athletic Meeting of Macao, held under the auspices of the International Race and Recreation Club at Area Preta Race Course, commenced on Saturday, and will continue until to-morrow, Tuesday. Leading members of the Portuguese, Chinese and other communities in Macao turned out in large numbers for the opening day, and 15 athletic clubs participated.

H. E. Sr. Artur Tamagani, Barboza, Governor of Macao, and His Lordship D. José Costa Nunes, Bishop of Macao, were patrons of the meeting.

Before the events started there was a parade of competitors on the ground headed by the South China Athletic Association of Macao, who had with them a contingent from Hong Kong.

Most of the opening day was devoted to preliminary heats. The 100 yards was won by H. Braga, of the Associação Desportiva de Macao, his time being 10.4 seconds. In the putting the shot, Leong Nam Fok, of Canton Christian College, recorded 25 feet 7 inches.

A. E. Carvalho, A.D.M., did the 200 yards in 2 minutes 8 seconds; and Antonio Colaco managed 30 feet in the long broad jump. H. Braga, A.D.M., won the quarter mile. Other events on the second and third day included the 120 yards hurdles, bicycle races, high jump, one mile, throwing the javelin, 220 yards, tug-of-war, tennis, tournament, pole jump, basket ball, throwing the discus, 50 yards for ladies, and volley ball.

Mr. F. Monteiro was Portuguese secretary of the meeting; Mr. J. M. Braga and Mr. Luis J. da Silva, English secretaries and Mr. C. W. Chang, Chinese secretary.

Visitors to the sports included a number of Hong Kong athletic clubs and schools representatives. The Ying Wa College, the St. Paul's College, of Hong Kong, and a strong team from the Canton Christian College competed. South China officials present included Mr. Chan Chan, manager of the track and field committee; Mr. He Pak Ping, and Mr. Hin Wong, hon. general secretary.

The Hong Kong and Canton teams are expected to leave Macao on Wednesday.

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ST. PETER'S Y.M.C.

ACTIVITIES DURING MAY.

In addition to their usual activities St. Peter's Young Men's Club have arranged a popular programme of events, for the month of May, as indicated in *Cathedral Notes*—

To-morrow evening there will be a whist drive at the Cathedral Hall, beginning at 8.30.

There will be a concert and social at the Cathedral Hall, on Wednesday, at 8.30 p.m. Under the auspices of the Club.

Swimming picnic for St. Peter's Club will commence on Saturday, May 25th, and be held on all Saturdays during the summer months, commencing on each occasion at 4.15 p.m. The launch will leave Queen's Pier. Tickets (which include music and light refreshments) are 60 cents each for members and ladies and \$1 for non-members.

There will be a moon-light picnic on Tuesday, May 17th. The launch will leave Queen's Pier punctually at 8 p.m. There will be music but members are asked to bring their own refreshments. Tickets 40 cents each for members and ladies and 60 cents for non-members, can be had from Messrs. Wm. Shea, Peter Pau and G. S. Zimmer.

adjacent thereto and by any conveyances to Black Sea Port will not invalidate rebates.

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Exporters applying for the returns, which will be payable in London, on and after the 2nd January, 1928, and 1st January, 1929, respectively, must fill up and sign forms which can be obtained from the Agents.

Exporters failing to apply for returns within three months after the conclusion of each rebate period forfeit their claim thereto.

NO "LABOUR DAY" INCIDENTS.

OLD SLOGANS PARADED IN CANTON.

MERCHANTS TAKING COURAGE.

NEW BUREAUX AND COMMITTEES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Yesterday, May 1st, being Labour Day, all the world over, Canton dutifully fell into line. Its inhabitants celebrated because they were ordered to do so by the Commission for Mass Movements in Kwangtung. The order applied to all classes of the community, and since the whole thing was staged by the new "moderate" government—the response was fairly ready. In the lengthy processions, however, labourers and students predominated, though other Kuomintang members were there in good force. Everything was orderly and the processions were efficiently marshalled and set in motion. There were plenty of banners, and at first glance there was little to show that the extremists had been downed. The old slogans showed up with wonted prominence, "Down with Imperialism," "Abolish Unequal Treaties," "Long Live May 1st Labour Day," being the most popular. Many of the slogans had an obviously European origin. A closer glance revealed, here and there, some fluttering denunciation of the Communists. Canton can be congratulated, however, in getting over the day without mishap.

In order to clear the Communists out of the inner councils of the Kuomintang some of the leaders of the Kuomintang General Labour Union, working in co-operation with the Kuomintang, called a meeting, last Thursday to discuss the unification of all labour organisations and activities. "The new organisation, which it was decided must be set up immediately, takes to itself the name of 'The General Committee of Labour Movements.' A provisional committee of eleven was appointed to get on with the preliminary work of setting up the 'General Committee.'

"Red" resistance in the country district is continuing in a spasmodic fashion, but the Peasants' Defence Corps are gradually melting away. Troops sent by the Cantonese Government via the Yueh-Han Railway to the North River, have had a series of sharp skirmishes. The "Reds" put up resistance on the northern section of the railway, between Yingtak and Shikwan, but steadily retreated in face of the greater numbers and better equipment of the Government forces who were supported by aeroplanes and gunboats on the river. The Canton-Hankow Railway service only operates as far as Yuntan, and between there and Pa Kung Hau the permanent way has been badly damaged by the Reds.

The proposed Pan-Pacific Conference, which was to have been held in Canton, has been "postponed for one year." The only delegates who have arrived are the Russians who expected to run the show. They are going back to their own place.

By branding a good number of the former anti-British pickets as "Reds," who may be arrested at any time, and by coming out all "undesirables," the number of unemployed "victims" of the boycott may be reduced to less than 4,000. Should this actually be accomplished it will not be hard to raise the money necessary to disband them altogether. The military authorities have certainly not been harsh to these men for they could have solved the problem by condemning all the strikers as "Reds" and then driving them out of Canton.

Chinese merchants in Canton are beginning to demand the abrogation of all unequal contracts forced on them with regard to relations with their employees. The Chinese

QUEEN'S COLLEGE BOY BECOMES U.S. OFFICER.

A FINE CAREER.

AVIATION AND THE LAW.

An old boy of Queen's College has just returned to Hong Kong as a commissioned officer in the United States Air Corps and a Bachelor of Liberal Law.

This is Second Lieut. Chiu S. Eng (Ng She Chia), a young Cantonese, aged 20, who was in class 3A (Commercial) at Queen's College in 1921, when he went to New York.

Mr. Eng while being instructed in aviation took up a course in law and worked till 11 o'clock every night, till he was awarded his LL.B. by St. John's Law School and was admitted to the Bar.

Senator Lampert of Wisconsin endorsed Mr. Eng's entry into the War College in 1922, as a Cadet and a naturalised subject and on September 16th, 1924, he received his full commission. He was posted to the 20th Bombing Squadron and the 24th Pursuit Squadron.

Mr. Eng keeps a private aeroplane, in which he flew 1,500 miles from Daytona (Florida) to New York, at a flying speed of 175 miles an hour.

His longest flight was for about 13 hours, when he covered 1,500 miles from Langley Field (Virginia) to Pueblo (Colorado).

Altogether, Mr. Eng has 2,400 hours of flying to his credit—a fine record for so young a man.

When Queen Marie of Roumania visited America, Lieut. Eng was one of the Air Corps officers to form the escort of aeroplanes which flew over the liner in which Her Majesty was travelling.

Adventures and Misadventures.

Mr. Eng has had his share of mishaps and was in hospital for three months last year following an accident. He was piloting a Martin bomber with four officers as night observers when the gasoline line fell off, the plane crashed, there was an explosion, and the machine caught fire. The two 400 horse-power Liberty motors were melted in the terrific blaze.

Lt. Eng was trained with Lt. Nelson, one of the American bird-men who flew round the world and called at Hong Kong.

Mr. Eng is now in Hong Kong on a holiday visit to his parents.

General Chamber of Commerce are appointing a special committee to go into the matter and make recommendations to the local authorities. During the last two years hundreds of strikes have taken place, and in practically every one the merchants had to make sacrifices.

The managing-director of the Kuomintang Central Bank has been dismissed for being a Red, and bank agents and officials throughout the province are distinctly uneasy as to their own prospects. In fact several branch managers, following the example of their colleagues at Nanyang, have already deserted their posts taking whatever they could carry away with them.

The Bureau of Military Affairs of Kwangtung, which is responsible for all military matters in the province, beyond the confines of its capital, will, from May 1st, be in charge of General Hsu King Tong, in succession to General Li Tsai Hsin, who is now in charge of the Kuomintang Extraordinary Commission, a position equivalent to being Military Governor of the Province. The Commission with General Li at the head is now supreme over Kwangtung.

The expected resumption of normal traffic on the Canton railways is still impossible, and there will be no Canton-Kowloon service for some time.

General Hsiung Keh Wu, a former Military Governor of Szechuan, and Mr. Lam Chik Min, former Managing-Director of the Canton-Hankow Railway, have been released from the military prison at Whampoa, and his friends celebrated the occasion by giving a reception in their honour on April 29th. General Hsiung was imprisoned more than a year ago for supporting General Chen Chung Ming, the most active "anti-Red" in the South. Mr. Lam was a friend of Governor Hu Han Min. Both General Chen Chung Ming and Governor Hu were imprisoned at the order of Chiang Kai Shek who was less "moderate" in those days.

A SERMON IN STONE.

BELLA SIDNEY WOOLF'S IMPRESSION OF HONG KONG.

"PLEASANT AS IN LEAFY ENGLAND."

The following contribution from the pen of Bella Sidney Woolf. (Mrs. W. T. Southorn) appears in the May issue of *St. John's Cathedral Notes*:

We are accustomed to see in the wonderful Cathedral raised hundreds of years ago a symbol of Divine inspiration. So exquisite are these stone epics that we are apt to overlook modern inspirations less beautiful but equally wonderful.

"So long as a man preserves his capacity for wonder he can never lose the zest of life. When men possess wonder they learn something of the amazing beauty and dignity of common-place things."

I speak as a new comer to Hong Kong.

I hold no brief for its weather; in fact I find it difficult to express my opinion of it in terms sufficiently restrained for this magazine. But for Hong Kong itself I am imbued with profound wonder and admiration.

Probably to those who have lived here many years the sense of amazement at this achievement has grown dull and stale. But to me it is a never-ending source of surprise.

Always as I drive or walk or bob in a chair up and down the hillsides, I think of that day in 1840 when that "barren rock" was handed over to the British by the Chinese. Today the wilderness has blossomed. One above the other rise the houses bowered in flowers and trees, each girt by the massive retaining walls, flanked by huge nullahs. They might be a miniature Nineveh or Babylon. Here too are the "hanging gardens," glowing hibiscus, flaming azaleas, blue ipomoea.

Little by little the Forest Department has mantled the hillsides in tree and fern and thicket and you may wander along bridge paths as pleasant as in leafy England with small streams murmuring musically.

Straying from the beautiful to the practical, I recall my first astonishment at the solid strength of the town as I saw it on arrival. It is so intensely British with its fine square and massive Club and business buildings, its well-kept streets and fine shops.

All this has been built up stone by stone by indomitable perseverance. All this, as in last year's storm, is liable to sudden destruction and displacement. Then once again patient labour will rebuild it.

I say this in no spirit of "frantic boast" but merely in the spirit of admiration for the Shakespearean sense of Jingouan and insular pride which are unforgeable, but in a time when the cry of, so many of us, "my country always wrong," it is well to dwell occasionally on her virtues.

When the lights of Hong Kong and Kowloon shine out in their amazing beauty, so wonderful, so thrilling that one cannot put it into words, I like to think that under the shadow of the Peak and of the New Territory hills, the Chinese dwell securely in the land we hold. And I feel that Britain has carried into practice the words of Abraham Lincoln:

"Die when I may I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower could grow."

A THOUSAND FORGED \$500 NOTES.

POLICE ALLEGATIONS OF PLANS TO SELL THEM.

The extent to which forged notes are being introduced into the Colony was demonstrated in a case on Saturday before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy when a Chinese was accused of trying to sell 1,000 forged \$500 notes.

Mr. G. B. Haywood, for defendant, applied for bail.

His Worship asked Det.-Sub-Inspector F. W. Shafton (attached to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs) if the prosecution had any objection.

Sub-Inspector Shafton said he had, and indicated that the Crown case was that accused was arranging to sell a thousand false \$500 notes.

Evidence would be called, he continued, to show that accused had been at a meeting to discuss the matter. His Worship, however, would be asked not to treat the case for committal, but to deal with it summarily.

Bail was refused.

THE WEEK'S CINEMAS.

"HIS SECRETARY" AT THE QUEEN'S.

A MOST AMUSING PICTURE.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

The comic "curtain raiser" is often a good deal more satisfactory than the feature film that follows it. For one reason, it is difficult to go on being "funny" for a long time. Occasionally, on the other hand these bright little preludes are indescribably bad. The one at the Queens, being shown prior to "His Secretary" is, however, a good one, and you miss something worth seeing if you turn up late.

The term "comedy" as used by the film producer covers a multitude of sins. An ill-constructed incredible story is dubbed a comedy in extension of its faults. A story may deal with a divorce and a murder and still be a comedy, it may be as dull as the worst type of *feuilleton*, or require as much brain strain to elucidate it as a problem in higher mathematics. In fact the word comedy is used on the screen simply to denote a play which is neither a sob stuff, a spectacle film or a crook melodrama.

But in "His Secretary" you have the best form of screen comedy, where the humor lies in the action more than in the captions. It is lightly amusing all the way through and puts no strain either on ones brain or ones credulity. This is the type of film which is real recreation, and all admirers of the output of the Metro-Goldwin studio will be glad to see that it is in their best tradition. That is to say, good acting and good photographing in a well constructed story.

Norma Shearer is always delightful whether she is doing wonderful feats on a trapeze or, on a typewriter. She plays two difficult roles in "His Secretary," she is the plain ill dressed type of business girl, with an assumption of masculinity which is actually old maidish and rather pathetic at that. As a "safe proposition" she is chosen by her employer's wife to accompany him on a business trip to Washington, where she spends her savings in a "Beauty Shoppe." Every woman not entirely satisfied with her appearance will want to rush to Washington's "shoppe" and do the same when they see Norma emerge, lovely and becomingly dressed, to conquer her employer and his shy young partner, against whom her armoury is to be employed. It is from then that Miss Shearer shows herself to be an actress of no mean merit.

There is a transformation which would be worked by the possession of lovely clothes and a skilful beauty treatment. She has gained in self assurance but there are still traces of the old nervous bustling manner. Then, as she realises that she is being looked at and admired, her timidity and her aggressiveness gradually fall away, and she becomes the charming woman she might have always been if the painted little vamps in her office had not made her determined to win through without making use of her sex.

So you see there is a moral as well as a comedy—a moral which will appeal to the younger generation. "You owe it to yourself to look as charming as you can" is Norma's silent preaching "and then maybe you will get your hearts desire. At the same time don't 'vamp'."

Low Cody plays the hero, he has made a wise move in taking comedy roles instead of always playing the dandified villain, because his rather sad, childish face never made him a convincing philanthropist. The senior partner is played by Willard Louis, a really delightful fat man, who achieves averdupois and an amorous temperance without being vulgar—a real triumph on the screen.

This Week's Programme.

Queen's—To-day and Tuesday: "His Secretary." Wednesday to Saturday: "Mare Nostrum." A Vincence Blasco Ibanez story you should not miss.

World—To-day: "Paris," a mystery melodrama of the underworld with Charles Ray as an "innocent abroad." Tuesday and Wednesday: "Charles Aunt," a repeat performance by special request. Thursday to Saturday: "The Cave Man." The story of a wealthy society girl in search of a thrill who gets out of a coal heaver.

Star—To-day: "The Ice Flood," a thrilling lumber camp story. Tomorrow and Wednesday: "Wild Oranges." The story of a lonely island, an old man, his lovely daughter and a madman. Thursday to Saturday: "Compromise."

Irene Rich as a neglected wife.

SHANGHAI PROVISIONAL COURT SCANDAL.

AN "IRREGULAR AND INADEQUATE SENTENCE."

AMERICAN OFFICIAL'S PROTEST.

In the Shanghai Provisional Court on April 23rd, Mr. H. E. Stevens, Senior Consul's Deputy (American) came definitely to odds with Judge Yu. Without attempting to consult the deputy, Judge Yu imposed a sentence of forty days gaol on a Chinese accused of stealing an overcoat and a camera from a motor car, owned by an American citizen, on Hong Kong Road, the previous day.

The accused was a man with no less than five previous convictions and had also been expelled the Settlement under the orders of the former Mixed Court, and Mr. Stevens considered the sentence entirely inadequate. The accused had only recently been released from gaol.

The chief ground for complaint was, however, the Chinese magistrate's utterly irregular procedure in refusing to consult the Deputy as provided for in the Rendition Agreement.

Mr. Stevens' Protest.

In order to call attention to the irregularity of the proceedings Mr. Stevens endorsed the charge-sheet as follows:

"The sentence of 40 days given by Judge Yu is not the decision of this Court. It is a sentence rendered in error and without the concurrence of the Consular official of the complainant's nationality."

"The decision in the case will be the decision jointly agreed to by the presiding judge and the Consular representative of the plaintiff's nationality, as provided for in the Rendition Agreement, and none other. The accused should be so informed."—*Shanghai Mercury*.

PROSCRIBED ORGANISATIONS.

POWER TO SEQUESTER PROPERTY.

The following regulation was made by the Governor in Council under section 2 of the Emergency Regulation Ordinance, 1922, Ordinance No. 5 of 1922, on Thursday:

The regulation relating to the Prevention of Disorder which was published in the *Gazette* of April 28, 1927, as notification of No. 202, is rescinded and the following regulation is substituted therefor:

It shall be lawful for any police officer to seize anything whatsoever which may appear to belong to, or to be connected with, or to be intended to be used for the purposes of, any proscribed organisation, and it shall be lawful for a magistrate, upon such notice (if any) as he shall think fit, to order any such thing to be forfeited. Any thing so forfeited shall be disposed of in such manner as the Captain Superintendent of Police may direct.

BATHING BEACH ARRANGEMENTS.

According to the Government Gazette dated April 28th the following bathing beaches will be available to the public.

Tai Wan Bay, Kowloon.

1.—This beach will be open for the use of the General Public from Saturday, May 7th, inclusive.

2.—A fee of 10 cents per person will be charged.

Bathing Beach Adjoining the Premises of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

1.—This beach will be open for the use of the General Public from Sunday, May 1st, inclusive.

2.—A fee of 10 cents per person will be charged.

Bathing Beach At Kennedy Town.

1.—This beach will be open for the use of the General Public from Sunday, May 1st, inclusive.

2.—A fee of 5 cents per person will be charged.

Note:—Stonecutters Beach will not be available for the use of the General Public, as it is being reserved for the Military and Naval Authorities to accommodate the increased number of men now stationed in Hong Kong.

Tai Wan Bay beach has been substituted in lieu thereof.

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Syst. of Police,
Hong Kong, 30th April, 1927. [4878]

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Mr. HARRY OWEN HUGHES has THIS DAY been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

HARRY WICKING & CO.,
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1927. [4877]

NOTICE.

RAYMOND ERNEST COXON THIS DAY has been authorized to sign for the Company "Per Procurationem."

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1927. [4876]

HUGO STINNES LINEN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the AGENCY of the above Steamship Company which was held by Messrs. BAYLER, BROCKMANN & Co. has been Taken Over by our Firm from TO-DAY.

JEBBEN & CO.,
Hong Kong, the 1st day of May, 1927. [4874]

SALVAGE S.S. "TJILEBOET."

TENDERS are INVITED for REPAIRS to the above Steamer as She now lies at the TAIKOO DOCKYARD. Full Particulars to be obtained from JAYA-CHINA JAPAN LINE, Hong Kong, 30th April, 1927. [4873]

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company "Per Procurationem" on SATURDAY, MAY 14th, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ended December 31st, 1926, to confirm the appointment of Two Directors, and to elect Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, May 2nd, 1927. [4872]

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BOOKING of RESERVED SEATS at the PAVILION at REDUCED PRICES by MEMBERS and SUBSCRIBERS will CEASE at 8 p.m. on MONDAY, 2nd MAY.

Booking will Open at MOUTRIE & CO. on TUESDAY, 3rd MAY. [4871]

NOTICE.

OUR OFFICE HAS THIS DAY BEEN REMOVED to 2nd Floor of PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, 100, HOUSE STREET.

ALEX. ROSS & CO. (CHINA), LTD.,
Hong Kong, 30th April, 1927. [4868]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS.

GENERAL AVERAGE S.S. "SCOTLAND MARU."

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Deposit for Contribution towards General Average per S.S. "SCOTLAND MARU" has been fixed at Seven (7) Per Cent. of Value of the Cargo concerned, and the Adjustment will be made by the ROBE AVERAGE ADJUSTING OFFICE, KURT JARIS, NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, [4867]

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CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, will be held in the Office of Messrs. SHAW, TONG & CO., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, THE 7th DAY OF MAY, 1927, at 11.30 o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1926, and of electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd APRIL, 1927, to 7th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the General Managers,
H. R. STUBBS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 28th April, 1927. [4857]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on TUESDAY, the 17th MAY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 28th April, 1927. [4840]

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HONG KONG, MAY 2ND, 1927.

CHIANG KAI SHEK.

It is not a little difficult to understand the mentality of China's new war-lord. His emergence from obscurity and steady rise to fame since his first spectacular victory—the siege and capture of Wanchow—is one of the outstanding features of recent Chinese history. The question of importance now is whether CHIANG KAI SHEK is really and truly burning with patriotic zeal or is merely a person endowed with a lust for power if not for personal gain. He has ridden to success first by consorting with the

Bolsheviks who provided him with money, arms and military advisers. They supplied, also, the new technique of propaganda by which victories have been won, and directed the mobs upon whose assistance the Russians have relied throughout. CHIANG KAI SHEK availed himself of all the assistance he could obtain from any quarter, and doubtless submitted to a certain amount of dictation and swallowed a good many insults during the process. It was necessary if his object—the control of China south of the Yangtze—was to be achieved.

But having secured Shanghai and its great financial resources he suddenly becomes extremely virtuous. The Communists are thrown overboard. Is this due to the fact that he has never seriously subscribed to the communistic doctrines and has reasserted his independence as soon as he was in a position to do so or is he merely an opportunist who sees that the greatest advantages at the moment are to be obtained by following a policy of studied moderation. The South might be deluded by the specious promises of BORODIN but the North has no illusions. The assistance of the Russians has hitherto been invaluable but now it is an obstacle. In other words the utility of BORODIN and his henchmen is finished. A purpose has been served. The Soviet has been exploited and driven into a corner at Hankow which, with the Yangtze closed, the northern position held by the enemy and the South by CHIANG KAI SHEK, is about as useful for strategic purposes as a city in Tibet.

BORODIN, the astute, who was probably the happiest man in China a month ago, must now be completely disillusioned, with a shattered faith in the Chinese and a deep sense of grievance against the fate which have so cruelly abused him. The money value of his implacable hate of CHIANG KAI SHEK is presumably a quarter of a million taels—the price placed on CHIANG's head. BORODIN's position can only be described as pathetic. His dreams of a Sovietised China have for the time being vanished into thin air. But what of CHIANG KAI SHEK? Will the forces of which he has made use and which he has now lightly discarded prove to be stronger than he imagines or can he finally suppress them? Is the split a genuine one or merely a framed up arrangement to undermine the opposition north of the Yangtze?

If the fight goes on it can only be for the personal aggrandisement of CHIANG KAI SHEK. With the Russian element eliminated there is no obstacle to the reunion of North and South. A compromise is clearly indicated and the militarists should retire gracefully into the background and allow a civil government, purged of alien influences, and representative of all China, to assemble and function at Nanking. The alternative is a military dictatorship under CHIANG KAI SHEK assuming, of course, that CHIANG's prestige is sufficiently great to secure the loyalty and co-operation of his subordinate generals. The issue is one which depends largely upon the personality of the man who at the moment occupies the front place on the stage. Is CHIANG KAI SHEK an honest patriot or, merely a militarist? His record has not yet revealed his character. He may, of course, imagine himself to be the former whereas, in practice, he may simply turn out to be the latter.

Yesterday was observed as Mother's Day at the European Y.M.C.A.

The name of the Alpha Towboat Company, Limited, has been struck off the Register.

On Friday one Chinese case of small-pox and two Chinese cases of enteric were reported.

The total rainfall since January 1st has been 18.32 inches, against an average of 11.61 inches.

Bowen Road between Stubbs Road and Wanchai Gap is closed to all traffic until further notice.

Mr. Raymond Ernest Coxon has been authorised to sign for Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. per procurationem.

Rain fell very heavily yesterday afternoon, and it will be interesting to see what the rainfall record has to say. The thunderstorm was also very prolonged and severe.

H.E. the Governor has appointed Dr. Ethel Mary Minnett to be a Member of the Midwives Board during the absence on leave of Dr. Alice Deborah Hickling, M.B.E., with effect from 25th April, 1927.

A very successful and enjoyable dance was held at the Craigflower Cricket Club on Saturday night. There was a large attendance of members and friends, and the orchestra, was all that could be desired.

At the fancy dress and carnival dance under the auspices of the Hong Kong Dance Club on Friday night the first ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Roe, and the second by Mrs. Spradbery. The spot prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Boyce. The prizes were presented by Miss De Coudar.

Mr. J. A. E. Bullock has presented a handsome sanctuary lamp of brass to St. John's Cathedral, for use in the side Chapel, in memory of his son, who was lost in Gallipoli in the great war. It is a great addition to the furnishing of the side Chapel, and Mr. Bullock is himself daily seeing to its being in order.

The following additions have been made to the list of Public Vaccinators:—L. Heang, D. Lopez, Fok Kum Yung, Hung Lai Kwan, Chan King Sim, Hui Luk Yip, Ngo Sui Hing, Cheung Wai Foon, Kwok Kit Ming, Ho Lai Yui and Yung Po Ying. The above ladies are members of the Victoria Nursing Division.

Despite the warm weather there appears to be no slackening off in the number of local dances. To-night the ship's company of H.M.S. Froisher are holding a dance at the Hotel Savoy, and the Royal Engineer and Royal Corps of Signals Junior Dance Club are holding a similar function at the Royal Engineers' Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

There was a vocal and instrumental service at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, last evening, prior to the service. Dr. McDonald sang "The Publican," by B. Van de Water, and "Ninety and Nine," by E. Campion. Organ solos were played by Mr. G. E. Longyear. There was to be a Foulkes offertoire and a Foulkes service at 6 p.m. (The preacher was the Rev. J. Kirk Macconachie).

Messrs. Komor and Komor are holding an exhibition of water colours and oil paintings by such important Japanese and other artists as Yamamoto, Terachi, Kano and Kobayashi "Banon," contributes magazines and "Shu-min," quaint figures. The exhibition is for ten days and opens tomorrow. There is no entrance fee and prospective purchasers, who will have the advice of the well-known expert, Mr. Komor, are recommended to pay an early visit.

The Cathedral Church Body is undertaking the financial responsibility of providing St. Peter's (which is the daughter Church of the Cathedral) with a permanent Chaplain of its own, provided that the sum of \$15,000 is raised annually by the congregation towards the stipend. The Secretary of the Cathedral Church Body is in communication with the Bishop of the Diocese with a view to obtaining a priest for the work. The prayers of the congregation are earnestly requested that the Bishop may be guided in his choice.

There will be a sale of Crown Land at the offices of the Public Works Department this afternoon, at three o'clock. The land in question is Kowloon Inland Lot, No. 1728, Mong Kok Tseui. The area is 7,205 square feet, and the annual Crown rental \$22. The purchase price is \$18,012.50. The purchaser of the lot will also have to pay \$25 for boundary stones required to define the lot and \$30 for the Crown Lease which is for the term of 75 years with option of renewal.

Mr. F. Mason, the Cathedral Organist, went on leave on April 20th, going by the *Empress of Russia* to Canada en route to England. Since he arrived in November, 1923, Mr. Mason has not been away at all, so he has well earned his holiday, which St. John's Cathedral Notes hope will be a very pleasant one. He has worked hard for the Cathedral. He expects to be back in November.

The sum of \$94 was put in the box at the west door of St. John's Cathedral, and a cheque for three guineas was also received for the Lenten self-denial offerings. The sum of \$12.13.3 has been sent to the Waifs and Strays' Society. During the past month the Society accepted seventy-nine children, boys and girls of all ages, including sixteen babies for admission into its many homes in different parts of England.

The departure of Mr. and Mrs. Orton from the Colony is a great loss to the ranks of the real Church workers, says St. John's Cathedral Notes. Mrs. Orton has put in a very great deal of work in the Peak Sunday School and in the Mothers' Union, and she will be very greatly missed, for she is one of those people who when they undertake a task are sure to see it through. We wish them a happy and prosperous time in Singapore.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden, who has gone Home, has resigned his position as member of the Church Body and Hon. Secretary of St. John's Cathedral. He will be very much missed in all departments of Church life, says the Cathedral Notes. His work as Chairman of the C.E.M.S. and a helper at the Socials has been splendid and he has been arranging the duty of the Sidesmen. This last named work is being taken over by Mr. W. Jackson, and the Hon. Secretaryship of the Cathedral has been undertaken by Mr. B. O. Blaker.

The following is from Cathedral Notes:—On March 27th last, at Windermere, there passed to his eternal rest the Rev. William Jennings, the last Colonial Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral, Hong Kong, who was Chaplain here from 1890 to 1896. Mr. Jennings was in his 60th year. In those days the Church was "established" and the Colonial Chaplain was appointed, paid and pensioned by the Government. Mr. Jennings was succeeded by the Rev. F. E. Cobbold, now rector of Bratton Fleming, who was the first "Cathedral Chaplain." Mr. Cobbold was followed by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, who was succeeded by the present Chaplain. The Cathedral is now vested in the Church Body, who are the Trustees and appoint the Chaplain. There are still some here who remember Mr. Jennings.

The services at the Cathedral in Holy Week and at Easter were much better attended than usual. The Cathedral looked its best on Easter Day with a great abundance of lilies. At Matins the congregations were greater than the seating capacity of the Cathedral and chairs had to be brought in. The Communicants numbered 297, which is a record. Unfortunately heavy rain came down shortly before the Flower Service, but in spite of this there was a good attendance and a beautiful lot of flowers were presented and afterwards sent to the Naval, Military and Netherpole Hospital, the authorities of which have written to say how much they were appreciated by the patients. There was again a large congregation at Evensong and at the social gathering afterwards in the Hall, the accommodation was taxed to its utmost.—Cathedral Notes.

MR. G. W. KEETON LEAVING FOR HOME.

AN AUTHORITY ON EXTRATERRITORIALITY.

The many friends of Mr. G. W. Keeton will congratulate him on his appointment to the staff of an English University. A very popular personality at Hong Kong University, as Professor of Law he has taken the keenest interest in the Law Society and "Law Journal" of the institution, which have flourished under his care. Mr. Keeton has made a study of the legal problems arising in China from the impact of East and West. Articles by him on Extraterritoriality have been published in the "Law Quarterly" and in the "Journal of Comparative Legislation." His work on this subject has earned him the LL.M. degree of Cambridge University.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

PASSENGERS ON THE "MALWA."

Many Hong Kong residents bade farewell to the Colony on Saturday, some for good and some for leave when they embarked on the P. & O. s.s. *Malwa*.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay, the retiring Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, and Mrs. Lindsay and their children were among the passengers leaving for good.

Mr. Joseph A. Howe, of the Colonial Secretary's Office, also left for Home. His departure will be regretted by all members of the Kowloon Cricket Club by whom he is held in the highest esteem. At lawn bowls he was always to be dependant upon to play a good game for his side.

Another passenger is Mr. W. L. Pattenden, manager of the well-known firm of Loxley & Co., and a director of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Mr. Pattenden has earned the gratitude of St. John's Cathedral and other religious and educational bodies by his interest and support. He was Hon. Secretary of St. John's Cathedral, Vice-Chairman of the Church of England Men's Society, a trustee of the Peak Church, Vice-President of St. Peter's Church and a member of the Council of St. Stephen's College.

Paymaster-Commander J. M. L. Cusack, R.N., for the past two years resident naval officer in the British Naval Office at Shanghai is also on board. He is returning to England to take up a new appointment, and his place at Shanghai is being taken by Paymaster-Commander G. H. Thompson, who arrived some time previously, and by Lieut.-Commander N. D. Reed, who has been relieved from duty in H.M.S. *Prothier*, flagship of the First Cruiser Squadron at Hong Kong.

Other passengers on board the *Malwa*, included Engineer-Commander F. W. Bromley, D.S.O., R.N., who has completed his time on the China Station; Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy (General Manager of the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd.) and Mrs. Bellamy; Pay-Lieut. A. J. V. Chubb, Mr. W. H. Bell (Manager, Asiatic Petroleum Co., Hong Kong) and Mrs. Bell; Mr. J. N. Duncan; Mrs. W. A. Gerrard; Mr. H. Gray; Mrs. G. F. Hole and Master H. Hole; Chief Detective Inspector "Tim" Murphy and many others.

WEEK-END MOTOR ACCIDENTS.

Mr. W. K. Reynolds (secretary to the City Hall), who lives at No. 18, Felix Villa, Pokfulam, took a Chinese woman to hospital on Friday, following an accident.

Mr. Reynolds was driving his car along China Road, near the Italian Convent, when the woman ran across the road in front of the car, and was knocked over. She had injuries to her legs but these were not serious, and she was not detained in hospital.

Motor-car No. 338 knocked down a 6-years-old Chinese boy in Queen's Road yesterday. The lad ran out from behind another car going in the opposite direction and was bowled over. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

On Saturday morning a motor-cycle, on which were two Europeans, knocked down a Chinese near the Seamen's Institute, Praya East. The Chinese was rather seriously hurt, being removed to hospital suffering with head, arm and leg injuries.

On Saturday evening, a public motor car, driven by a Chinese driver, and conveying a European passenger, knocked down a Chinese near Li Chit Street, Queen's Road East. The Chinese received injury to shoulder and head.

FOR THE SERVICES.

CONCERTS FOR THIS WEEK.

Under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee, the following concerts have been arranged for this week in the "Better Ole" Y.M.C.A., Peking Road, Kowloon:

To-morrow, May 3rd, "The Gay Jays," under the direction of Mr. R. H. Charles (commencing at 7.30 p.m.).

Thursday, May 5th, the Band of the 1st Batt. Camerons (Scottish Rifles). Conductor Mr. Horace E. Dowell, L.R.A.M. By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Ferrers, D.S.O., and Officers; songs from her repertoire, Miss Aileen Woods. (Commencing at 7.30 p.m.).

Friday, May 6th, community singing under the direction of Mr. Costen. (Commencing at 7 p.m.).

"SOVIET DIGGING ITS OWN GRAVE IN CHINA."

LONDON JOURNAL'S VIEWS REGARDING BRITISH INDEPENDENT ACTION.

CHINESE OFFICIAL'S OUTBURST ON BRITISH "IMPERIALISM."

The well-known London Sunday journal, *The Observer*, expresses the opinion that independent action by Britain in Hankow or elsewhere will be short-sighted. Our first business, the newspaper says, "is to leave the Chinese public free to deal with the Russian menace themselves," and adds: "The Soviet is digging its own grave in China and other Powers are not called upon to prevent it."

Mrs. Borodin, wife of the notorious "Red" leader of Hankow, is to be brought shortly from Tsinanfu to Peking to be placed on trial along with the Russian "Reds" arrested in the recent raid on the Soviet Embassy.

Mr. Quo Tai Chi, the local Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, addressing a Labour Day meeting in Shanghai Native City denounced British "Imperialism" and protested against the presence of British troops. There was also a protest against the barriers in the Settlement.

MRS. BORODIN'S TRIAL.

TO TAKE PLACE AT PEKING ALONG WITH RUSSIAN "REDS."

HANKOW LABOUR UNION'S NEW LAWS.

(Wah Tsz Yai Pao).

SHANGHAI, May 1st. The General Labour Union in Hankow has promulgated a set of labour laws, consisting of 10 items, as follows:—

- (1) No Chinese citizen is allowed to "scuffle" with foreigners;
- (2) no one is allowed to deceive foreigners;
- (3) any conspiracy between foreigners and Chinese is strictly prohibited;
- (4) no one is allowed to quarrel with foreigners;
- (5) any one attempts to detain any refugee, foreigner or Chinese, or to detain any baggage belonging to a foreigner, will be strictly dealt with;
- (6) no one is allowed to rush into a foreign residence or business house or endanger foreign life and property;
- (7) any rumour-maker attempting to create trouble among the public will be arrested;
- (8) concealing arms and ammunition without a Government permit is illegal;
- (9) any poster against the Government is prohibited, and
- (10) a mob creating trouble will be subject to punishment.

According to a report from Hankow, Generals Tang Seng Chi and Chang Fat Fui on the 20th and 26th inst. respectively, left Hankow for the front in Honan to direct military movements.

The Peking Government has decided to remove Mrs. Borodin to Peking from Tsinan, the capital of Shantung. Together with the Russians who were arrested last month in the Russian Embassy she will be placed on trial before a Special Court to try the Communists.

SOVIET DENIAL.

NO ACTIVITY OF TROOPS ON MANCHURIAN FRONTIER.

A COMMUNIST MANIFESTO.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

Moscow, April 30th. The official Tass Agency states that the reports from Mukden with regard to activity of Soviet troops on the Manchurian frontier, particularly with regard to a detachment of Mongolian cavalry under Russian command entering Inner Mongolia, are an entire fabrication. There has been and there is no concentration of Soviet troops in Manchuria.

With reference to the execution of Chinese Communists, arrested at the time of the raid on the Soviet Embassy in Peking, the Communist International issues a Manifesto calling upon the toilers of the world to intensify their campaign of protest against these new "acts of violence perpetrated by imperialists and militarists on working-class China."

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

What The Observer Thinks.

Commenting on the Chinese situation, the *Observer* describes the suggestions for independent action by Britain in Hankow or elsewhere as short-sighted, and says that our first business is to leave the Chinese public free to deal with the Russian menace themselves. The Soviet is digging its own grave in China and other Powers are not called upon to prevent it.

ROYAL ACADEMY BANQUET.

ADMIRAL JELICOE ON THE SIZE OF CRUISERS.

TRIBUTE TO REAR-ADMIRAL TYRRWHIT AND YANGTZE NAVAL FORCE.

WAR SECRETARY PRAISES "TOMMY ATKINS."

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, May 1st. The attendance at the Royal Academy banquet at Burlington House was as distinguished as usual, Prince Henry being the principal guest.

Mr. Baldwin was unable to be present and was represented by Mr. Churchill.

Replying to the toast of "The Forces," Admiral Lord Jellicoe, referring to disarmament and the suggested limitation in the size of ships, expressed the opinion that one of the greatest mistakes of the Washington Conference was the placing of the size of cruisers at 10,000 tons, which immediately put nearly every British cruiser on the obsolete list and enforced the standard of 10,000 tons for every cruiser built in the future. There was no reason why a much lower limit should not have been settled.

Admiral Jellicoe, observing that they should be thankful that the Naval Commander-in-Chief in China was such a distinguished officer as Admiral Sir R. Y. Tyrwhit, paid a high tribute to Rear-Admiral Tyrwhit's tact, courage and discretion, which were greatly needed in China at present. Admiral Jellicoe also paid a tribute to the wonderful restraint of the Naval Force on the Yangtze.

Sir L. Worthington Evans, War Secretary, said that a stupendous disaster had been prevented in China by the businesslike efficiency of the Army, which had been proved by the rapid despatch of a large body of troops to the Far East on short notice, and the conduct of those troops since their arrival. Once again "Tommy" had gone as a friend and not as an enemy.

SINGAPORE BASE.

N.Z. NAVY LEAGUE APPROVES OF PROPOSED CONTRIBUTION.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

WELLINGTON, April 30th. A conference of the branches of the New Zealand Navy League, in a letter to Mr. Coates, Premier of New Zealand, warmly approves of the naval proposals, including the contribution of a million sterling towards the Singapore Base.

KIUKIANG, April 29th. Troops have arrived from down river, otherwise there is nothing to report.

SHANGHAI, April 29th. The situation remains unchanged at Shanghai and elsewhere.

In "Ironical Contrast."

SHANGHAI, April 30th. In somewhat ironical contrast with the contempt and intensified enmity which the Communists at Hankow have displayed towards the British since the Concession was handed over, is the respect which they have for the Japanese since the latter's refusal to give up their concession.

The Hankow Government is doing everything possible to placate the Japanese and facilitate the resumption of Japanese business.

A Nationalist News Agency telegram from Hankow says the Japanese shops and cotton factories are re-opening, the river steamer service resuming and that thousands of Chinese workers in Japanese factories are returning.

Meanwhile, British Yangtze trade, on which Shanghai's commercial existence largely depends, continues at a standstill.

It is now a common saying here that if things go on much longer as at present there will be no British interests here to protect.

Shanghai Labour Agitators Executed.

SHANGHAI, April 29th. Numbers of labour leaders arrested in recent raids in Chapei (native city) by the military forces here were executed at Lunghua head-quarters, according to Press reports to-day. The search for labour union heads and others is still going on.

The Woosung labour union was closed yesterday and several arrests were made.

It is reported that a secret meeting of labour leaders was held on Wednesday, when it was decided that two delegates be sent to Moscow to ask help for the labour movement in Shanghai.

ALARMING EFFECT OF PRESS CRITICISM.

"RIO" JOURNAL'S OFFICES FIRED AT BY MOB.

POLICE AND CAVALRY CALLED OUT.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 30th. Disorders and rioting have occurred here as the result of Press criticisms in connection with the Trans-Atlantic flight of Commander De Barros, the Brazilian airman, whose airplane was forced to descend 800 miles off the Brazilian coast while travelling to South America by the Cape Verde Islands.

The mob attacked the office of a newspaper which circulated a report that the accident to the airplane was due to the incompetence of the crew.

Many shots were fired at the office and strong forces of police and cavalry had to be called out, the troops being obliged to fire on the rioters, several of whom were wounded.

COLLIERY DISASTER IN AMERICA.

DISASTROUS RESULT OF AN EXPLOSION.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

FAIRMOUNTS, WEST VIRGINIA, May 1st. Seventy-four miners are entombed in a New England Company's coal mine at Everettsville, caused by an explosion which wrecked the main entry.

Two others were killed and 15 injured.

91 Victims. LATER. It is now believed that the death toll totals 91.

The rescuers report that the conditions inside the mine are such that none could have escaped.

MR. BALDWIN ON THE TRADE UNIONS' BILL.

REPLIES TO THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL ALLIANCE.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

ROBUST, April 30th. Replying to the National Industrial Alliance's proposal to suspend the progress of the Trade Unions' Bill, the Prime Minister says that in view of the arrangements made he cannot entertain the suggestion. He hopes the Alliance will recognise that the Government have no other motive in introducing it than to deal with the interests of the whole community with a situation created by events of last year. It is not intended to prejudice the well-being or curtail any legitimate activity of Trade Unions, and he does not think that the Bill will be found, on examination, to have any such effect. He believes that when the proposals of the Bill are more clearly understood, it will be found that they will not hamper the Government for industrial peace.

ADMIRAL LORD BEATTY'S WORK AT THE ADMIRALTY.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

ROBUST, April 30th. In connection with retirement of Admiral Lord Beatty from the post of First Sea Lord, on June 13th, and the appointment of Admiral of the Fleet Sir Charles Madden to succeed him, it is pointed out that Admiral Beatty was due to retire last November but, under pressure, consented to defer his resignation. On the dispersal of the Grand Fleet, of which he was Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Beatty took up his present duties and his period of office at the Admiralty has been marked by a reduction of the Navy to peace footing after the greatest war of history. It is generally agreed that this has been accomplished with a minimum of hardship and dislocation.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM IN ADELAIDE.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

ROBUST, April 30th. The Duke and Duchess of York were welcomed with great enthusiasm on their arrival in Adelaide to-day, where they attend several functions arranged in their honour. The long rail journey between Melbourne and Adelaide was punctuated with a few brief halts for the visitors to receive loyal greetings and the Royal train was loudly cheered as it passed slowly through the small wayside stations.

Earlier telegrams on the tour are printed on page 2.]

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

THE SOVIET TO CO-OPERATE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

GENEVA, April 30th. M. Litvinoff has telegraphed to Sir Eric Drummond that the Soviet will co-operate in the International Economic Conference on May 4th, in consequence of the Soviet-Swiss Settlement. The Soviet delegation, headed by M. Osinsky, director of the Central Statistical Board, will include ex-Finance Commissar Sokolnikoff.

RUBBER INDUSTRY.

THE QUARTER'S PERCENTAGE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, April 30th. The Colonial Office announces that the percentage of standard production rubber which may be exported at the minimum rate of duty from Ceylon and Malaya for the quarter beginning on May 1st will be 80.

BY-ELECTION RESULT. STRIKING VICTORY FOR GOVERNMENT CANDIDATE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

EDINBURGH, April 30th. The result of the by-election for the Scottish Universities to fill the vacancy created by the death of the Conservative member, Sir Henry Craik, resulted as follows:—

Mr. John Buchan (Con.) 16,983
Mr. Hugh Guthrie (Lab.) 2,378

Conservative majority 14,585
Mr. Guthrie loses his deposit.

NAVAL ARMAMENT PROBLEM.

VIEWS OF FORMER U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

WASHINGTON, April 29th. The immediate need for clear, binding contracts among the leading contractors among the leading Powers, "but to cripple reasonable defence but to abolish provocative armament," was emphasised by the former Secretary of State, Mr. Hughes, the head of the American delegation to the Washington arms conference, in his presidential address to the American Society of International Law.

He said he hoped the Geneva discussions would continue despite the discouraging results, but he believed the three-Powers' naval limitation conference would prove entirely practical. The United States, Britain and Japan were the only three great naval Powers, and war with Britain would not only mean the bankruptcy of statesmanship, but also the collapse of civilisation, while the thought of war with Japan sprang from a nightmare of suspicion and doubts which could only be banished by sanity of action and an expression of the peaceful policies we cherished.

He concluded with the hope that the League of Nations would remove the difficulties in the way of the United States' adhesion to the World Court.

"First Lord" On British Policy.

LONDON, April 30th. In a speech at Edinburgh, Mr. W. C. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, described as most fallacious the statement that Britain was not disposed to consider the limitation of armaments and said that he had faithfully adhered to the Washington Agreement and were perfectly ready to attend another conference in June, with the other Powers. "It is false," he said, "to say that the Government is unwilling to relieve the taxpayers of any expense on armaments which it is possible to escape, but it is unwilling to agree to any standard which will leave Britain in a position of inferiority. If other countries are prepared to accept a proportionate reduction, we are equally prepared."

Mr. Bridgeman hoped that other parts of the Empire would follow the example of New Zealand in helping the Singapore base.

U.S. BATTLESHIP STRIKES A REEF.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, April 30th. The United States battleship Colorado has gone aground on a coral reef near Governor's Island. A fleet of tugs has gone to her assistance.

SEGRAVE RETIRING FROM ROAD RACING.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, April 30th. The famous motorist, Major Segrave, announces that he is retiring from race motoring in October and will take up motor boating.

DUTCH REJOICINGS.

CELEBRATING PRINCESS JULIANA'S EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE HAGUE, April 30th. The city presents a gala appearance, the occasion of the festivities being in connection with the Crown Princess Juliana's eighteenth birthday, the attainment to which entitles her formally to take her place in the constitutional life of the country.

The town is full of visitors. The festivities began with the laying of the Foundation Stone of a monument in Louise de Coligny Square, by Premier Janssen. De Geer, to commemorate Juliana Van Stolberg who in the sixteenth century was the maternal progenitor of the House of Orange Nassau.

Princess Juliana and her parents made a state drive through the principal streets in the afternoon to the Binnenhof where a Feast of old Dutch dances and songs, at which the Queen Mother was also present.

Historical Processions.

THE HAGUE, May 1st. The Avondfeest included a procession of seven ships specially built to represent vessels of the 16th and 17th centuries. Two of them were manned and costumed by representatives of the most celebrated Dutch Admirals, including Van Tromp, De Ruyter and others, and conveyed a hundred members of the Hague songsters, who sang well-known Dutch folk songs. The scene was gallily illuminated. A fireworks display at Malleveld, concluded the festivities.

The Birthday Banquet.

At the birthday banquet in the evening there were 80 guests. The Queen, in a touching speech, addressed Princess Juliana and referred to her studies at the University of Leiden. Her Majesty hoped that the Princess would make herself worthy of the confidence of "Our dear people, to whose happiness and welfare you will one day be called to devote your best talents and powers."

CHINA UNDERWRITERS.

DEBIT AFTER COVERING RISKS.

The third annual report of the General Managers and Consulting Committee of China Underwriters, Ltd., which is to be presented at the annual meeting on May 7th, states:—

Profit and Loss Account.—The Profit and Loss account after placing \$99,240.54 to reserve to meet unexpired Marine risks, \$32,391.16 to meet unexpired Fire risks and \$2,378.77 to meet unexpired Accident risks, shows a debit balance of \$116,382.48.

Life Assurance Business.—Life Assurance.—Applications received during the year amounted to \$4,311,185. Life Policies were issued for \$3,892,553 at Annual Premiums of \$231,187 and applications for \$249,209 were declined. The remainder were postponed or in course of consideration at the end of the year. The Life Premium Income after deduction of Reinsurance amounted to \$293,111.83. The sum of \$23,072.95 was transferred to Establishment of Life Business to Account which amounted to \$152,649.05 at the 31st December, 1926.

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association the Consulting Committee retire and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts for the year have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Accountants, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, Incorporated Accountants, who being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.

THIRTY TOWNS SUBMERGED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

NEW ORLEANS, May 1st. Meanwhile, the main flood in the vicinity of Vicksburg is inundating new territory in Arkansas.

The Mississippi, in Upper Louisiana, has now 30 towns submerged. The victims of the flood continue to be taken off from the roofs of houses. A steamer rescued 70 refugees isolated by a break in the levee at Dorena, Missouri.

It is reported that many refugees are clinging to trees in the Mississippi delta.

More Dynamite.

LATER. Despite the flood of yellow water pouring through the three gaps of the levee at Poydras level, the water here this morning lowered only one-tenth of a foot. The engineers, therefore, requisitioned two more tons of dynamite, which they are exploding at various points along the levee.

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EXECUTION OF EDITOR REPORTED.

DISAPPEARANCE OF MR. TUNG TEH PAH.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

PEKING, April 14th. Considerable interest has been aroused in local Chinese journalistic circles by the publication of the report in a local foreign paper that Mr. Kung Teh Pah, former editor and proprietor of the *Ta Tung Wan Pao*, has been executed at Hankow at the order of Hu Chien, Nationalist Minister of Justice.

In reply to inquiries from Kuo Wen, a representative of the *Ta Tung Wan Pao* expressed strong doubt as to the authenticity of the report. He said Mr. Kung left Hankow for Nanchang on March 10th and arrived at Anking on March 21st. Since then nothing has been heard from Mr. Kung, but he is believed to be in the river, it is believed that he might have already reached Shanghai by now. The local paper has wired to Hankow for confirmation or denial of the said report.—Xuo Wen.

LAWN TENNIS.

BRITISH HARD COURTS CHAMPIONSHIP.

MISS BETTY NUTHALL'S SUCCESS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BOURNEMOUTH, April 29th. In the British hard courts championships, semi-finals, the South African Davis Cup player, Spence, unexpectedly defeated the French crack, Brugnon, by 4-6, 7-5, 6-3. The other French player, La Coste, defeated Commander Glover by 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

In the ladies' matches, Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss Ridley by 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Miss Clarke beat Miss Harvey, 6-1, 6-2.

BOURNEMOUTH, April 30th. In the British hard courts championships, finals, La Coste, the French player, defeated the South African Davis Cup player, Spence, by 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

In the ladies' matches, the sixteen-year-old Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss E. Clarke, 8-6, 6-2.

In the doubles finals, Brugnon and La Coste (France) beat Lyette and Spence, 6-1, 6-2, 7-5.

Mrs. Tuckey and Miss Chamberlain beat Mrs. Hill and Miss Ridley, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

In the mixed doubles, Spence and Miss Nuthall beat Crole Bass and Miss Haydon, 7-5, 6-2.

DAVIS CUP COMPETITION.

SWITZERLAND ELIMINATES AUSTRIA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BASEL, May 1st. In the Davis Cup Competition, Switzerland eliminated Austria, winning by two matches to one in the singles and doubles.

Japan's Representatives.

TOKYO, May 1st. Harada and Toba have been selected to represent Japan in the Davis Cup Competition.

THE ENGLISH TURF.

TOTALISATOR MAY BE INTRODUCED.

JOCKEY CLUB TO HOLD AN INQUIRY.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

ROBUST, April 29th. Great interest has been aroused by the announcement that the Jockey Club has decided to hold an inquiry into the means whereby betting may best be made to contribute to the maintenance of horse-breeding and rearing.

This step is generally regarded as meaning that the question of establishing officially a totalisator on race courses is to be seriously considered.

Only last month Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, intimated to a deputation of race-horse owners that if at any time a totalisator were legalised, and became an important feature in racing, those interested in breeding blood-stock horses could then claim a share in whatever was left over after the Government had taken its due.

It is known that for some years pillars of the Turf have been anxious to divert some of the profits of betting, which have hitherto gone exclusively to the book-makers, into channels that would do more good to horse breeding.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

SATURDAY'S SEMI-FINAL.

RUMJAHNS TO MEET JAPANESE IN FINAL.

The second of the semi-final matches in the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony was played on Saturday on the Stand Court in the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground and resulted in a win for the holders, H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, who defeated their Club mates I. M. Razack and J. A. Cassumbhoy in straight sets, the scores being 6-2, 6-4, and 6-2.

The match did not provide the struggle seen in the first semi-final, but play was certainly faster and brighter. The Rumjahns had the measure of their opponents from the start, being already familiar with their play.

They won the first set comfortably, but received a set back when Razack and Cassumbhoy won four consecutive games in the second set after losing the first two. However, they asserted themselves, however, and proved their superiority by taking the next four games in consecutive style. The Rumjahns had control of the play in the third set, though there was a very long seventh game which the holders lost.

The winners appeared to take matters easily. H. D. Rumjahn played the more consistent game, while S. A. Rumjahn brought off some of his spectacular shots. His chief failing on Saturday was in his overhead work and he put a good many shots into the net. Razack and Cassumbhoy were obviously conscious of playing a losing game and were a trifle nervous, it being their first appearance in the Stand Court. On the whole, however, they did creditably and won frequent applause from the spectators. They showed up best at defence and saved quite a number of hard shots at the last line. At the net, they were noticeably weak.

H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn therefore enter the final for the third year in succession and now meet T. Honda and H. Akiyama.

Two handicap matches were also decided on the same day and the results were as follows:—

Open Doubles.

Semi-final:—H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn beat I. M. Razack and J. A. Cassumbhoy, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "A."

1st Round:—C. C. Stark (rec. 3/5) beat R. W. Lee (rec. 15/1), 6-4, 6-3.

2nd Round:—L. Forster (owe 5/5) beat S. M. Garrard (rec. 4/6), 6-3, 6-2.

Another new list of fixtures has been made and appears in the Notice Board of the Club. The matches are as follows:—

TO-DAY.

Open Singles.

Semi-final:—Ng Sze Kwong v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Club Singles.

Semi-final:—F. A. Redmond v. G. W. Sewell.

3rd Round:—S. E. Green (hold. 4/6) v. E. Grimble; L. Forster v. Major W. B. Stevenson.

Handicap Singles "A."

2nd Round:—H. R. Remington (rec. 15/1) v. L. M. S. Lloyd (rec. 4/6); C. C. Stark (rec. 3/5) v. Capt. E. G. Howard (scr.).

Handicap Singles "B."

Semi-final:—B. G. Wilkerson (rec. 19/1) v. J. S. Kennedy (rec. 15).

TUESDAY.

Open Singles.

Semi-final:—T. Honda v. S. A. Rumjahn.

Club Singles.

Semi-final:—Winner of S. E. Green and E. Grimble v. winner of L. Forster and Major W. B. Stevenson.

Handicap Singles "A."

3rd Round:—Winner of C. C. Stark and Capt. E. G. Howard v. winner of H. R. Remington and L. M. S. Lloyd.

WEDNESDAY.

Handicap Doubles.

1st Round:—F. A. Redmond and L. Forster (owe 15/3) v. E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1/6).

Mixed Doubles.

3rd Round:—Dr. R. E. Tottenham and Mrs. Tottenham (owe 15/3) v. Col. Russell Brown and Mrs. Russell Brown (rec. 5/6).

The Finals.

Subject to weather conditions, it is hoped to play the final of the open singles championship of the Colony on Thursday, and the final of the open doubles championship on Friday. Following the latter match, the prizes, won during the tournament will be presented.

Booking of reserved seats at the Pavilion at reduced prices by members and subscribers will close at 8 p.m. to-day, but booking will open at Messrs. Moutrie and Co. to-morrow.

THE TENNIS LEAGUE.

"THE BALL" SET ROLLING.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

HONDA AND AKIYAMA TAKE 20 GAMES.

Keen competition marked the opening of the Hong Kong Tennis League on Saturday when a good many close finishes were recorded. Nine matches were decided.

The champions (Chinese Recreation Club) of the three divisions were not engaged in the "A" and "B" and won their match in the "C" easily. None of the new comers were successful and it seems probable that the struggle for honours will be between the old rivals. The results on the whole did not reveal anything startling.

Kowloon Centre Of Attraction.

Kowloon will no doubt be the centre of attraction of the League this season. No less than six matches on Saturday were played on the peninsula and among the Clubs participating the following have their courts at Kowloon:—United Services Recreation Club, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Kowloon Cricket Club, Club de Recreo, Nippon Club, South China Athletic Association, Netherlands Tennis Club and Kowloon British School Former Pupils Association. The courts are within a stone's throw from one another and a visit across the harbour on Saturdays during the League season should interest and be profitable.

Highest Scores.

T. Honda and H. Akiyama, who have reached the final of the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony, were in fine form, securing 23 games out of the 33 in the match between M.B.K. and U.S.R.C. in the "A" division. W. E. Crocker and A. B. Hamson (Craigengower) scored the highest number of games, viz. 27, while others to reach the 20 mark were: Lieut. Smith and Dr. W. L. Thomas (U.S.R.C. "B"), Ozorio and Remedios (Recreio "B"), T. K. Tan and N. P. Ng (University "B"), the Howard brothers (C.C.C. "B"), R. E. Lindell and C. H. Atkins (K.C.C. "C"), F. Hamblin and A. Hamson (K.C.C. "C"), the three pairs of C.R.C. "C" team, W. C. Li and L. K. Li (S.C.A.A. "C"), Sousa and Remedios (Recreio "C"), and Xavier and Kelly (Recreio "C").

The detailed scores of the different matches were as follows:—

"A" DIVISION.

U.S.R.C. v. M.B.K.

Played on the United Services Recreation Club courts, Kowloon, the M.B.K. winning by the narrow margin of 5 games.

Scores:—Major W. B. Stevenson and Capt. E. S. G. Howard (U.S.R.C.) beat T. Honda and H. Akiyama 9-5.

Edo beat H. Unotoro and T. Eda 7-4.

beat S. Fujita and T. Eda 6-5.

Lieut. C. L. E. M. Sturges and Lieut. J. N. Sparks (U.S.R.C.) beat T. Honda and H. Akiyama 2-9.

beat H. Unotoro and T. Eda 6-5.

beat S. Fujita and T. Eda 9-2.

Crosbie and Lieut. Newton (U.S.R.C.) beat T. Honda and H. Akiyama 3-8.

beat H. Unotoro and T. Eda 6-5.

beat S. Fujita and T. Eda 8-5.

Total: S.U.R.C., 47; M.B.K., 52.

"B" DIVISION.

M.B.K. v. United Services R.C.

Played on the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha's courts, Minden Bow, Kowloon, the United Services R.C. winning by 9 games only.

Scores:—Fujimori and Hachiuma (Mitsui Bussan Kaisha) beat T. Honda and H. Akiyama 4-7.

lost to Capt. Thomas and Wright 4-7.

beat Evans and Rowell 6-5.

Saio and Nakamura (M.B.K.) beat Lieut. Smith and Dr. Thomas 7-4.

beat Capt. Thomas and Wright 6-5.

lost to Evans and Rowell 5-6.

Mizobe and Kitajima (M.B.K.) lost to Lieut. Smith and Dr. Thomas 1-10.

beat Capt. Thomas and Wright 7-4.

lost to Evans and Rowell 5-6.

Total: M.B.K., 45; U.S.R.C., 54.

Recreio v. Nippon Club.

Played on the Club de Recreo courts, King's Park, the Home team winning by 9 games only.

Scores:—Ozorio and Remedios (Recreio) beat Okajima and Suenaga 7-4.

beat Fanatsu and Mizuguchi 8-3.

beat Fujieda and Saziki 4-7.

Barros and Noronha (Recreio) beat Okajima and Suenaga 7-4.

lost to Fanatsu and Mizuguchi 5-6.

lost to Fujieda and Saziki 4-7.

Sousa and Prata (Recreio) beat Okajima and Suenaga 7-4.

lost to Fanatsu and Mizuguchi 4-7.

lost to Fujieda and Saziki 5-6.

Total: Recreio, 54; Nippon Club, 45.

University v. South China A.A.

Played on the University courts, Pokfulam, the University winning by the narrow margin of 3 games.

Scores:—P. C. Lim and G. de Souza (University) lost to H. W. Chan and C. H. Ma 5-6.

lost to S. Chan and K. C. Luk 3-8.

beat M. C. Lun and W. H. Ho 5-3.

W. M. Gittins and T. L. Lu (University) lost to H. W. Chan and C. H. Ma 4-7.

lost to S. Chan and K. C. Luk 3-8.

beat M. C. Lun and W. H. Ho 7-4.

Total: University, 51; S.C.A.A., 48.

Craigengower v. Royal Engineers.

Played on the Craigengower courts, Happy Valley, the Home side winning easily by 29 games.

Scores:—W. Howard and H. Howard (Craigengower) beat Trumper and Higgs 8-3.

beat Col. C. Russell Brown and Capt. Jacobs-Larkcom 7-4.

beat Rose and White 7-4.

J. W. Leonard and G. Bodiker (Craigengower) lost to Trumper and Higgs 5-8.

beat Col. C. Russell Brown and Capt. Jacobs-Larkcom 7-4.

lost to Rose and White 3-9.

W. E. Crocker and A. B. Hamson (Craigengower) beat Trumper and Higgs 10-1.

beat Col. C. Russell Brown and Capt. Jacobs-Larkcom 10-1.

beat Rose and White 7-4.

Total: Craigengower C.C., 64; R.E., 35.

"C" DIVISION.

Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Played on the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts, the Kowloon Cricket Club winning by a big margin of 31 games.

Scores:—T. Megarry and G. S. Hugh Jones (H.K.C.C.) lost to R. E. Lindell and C. H. Atkins 3-6.

lost to F. Hamblin and A. Hamson 2-9.

lost to W. Woodward and R. F. Strange 2-9.

C. D. Wales and R. K. Hepburn (H.K.C.C.) lost to R. E. Lindell and C. H. Atkins 3-8.

lost to F. Hamblin and A. Hamson 2-9.

lost to W. Woodward and R. F. Strange 4-7.

Total: H.K.C.C., 34; K.C.C., 65.

Nippon Club v. Chinese R.C.

Played on the Nippon Club courts, King's Park, the Chinese Recreation Club winning easily by 35 games.

Scores:—Yoshikawa and Y. Hachiuma (Nippon) lost to C. W. Cheung and M. K. Lau 4-7.

lost to W. B. Ma and W. P. Chau 5-6.

lost to H. F. Un and W. K. Cheung 5-6.

Total: K.B.S.F.P.A., 40; C.C.C., 59.

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GOLF.

JUNIOR SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final of the Junior Section (Happy Valley) of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club was to have been played yesterday. A start was made by J. McCubbin and R. C. Wallace, who are the finalists, but the downpour during the morning prevented the match from being finished.

The players had reached the 30th hole, and after a ding-dong struggle all through they were then square. The ground was in a flooded condition, and the match had to be postponed until a fortnight's time.

Hole In One!

According to their usual custom their sale agents for Messrs. John Walker & Sons, Ltd., Messrs. Caldbeck Macgregor & Co., Ltd., have presented Mr. H. Hampton of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., with a bottle of Johnnie Walker whisky for his feat in holing out in one. This was done at the 3rd at Happy Valley during the Easter holidays.

ENGLISH CLOSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

A YOUNG WINNER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SETTON COLDFIELD, April 30th. In the English Amateur Close Golf Championship final, the twenty-two year old T. Perkins, Castle Bromwich, beat J. Beddard, South Staffs., 2 up and 1 to play, over 36 holes.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

SHANGHAI BEATEN BY NAVAL TEAM.

In one of the best rugby games seen in Shanghai for some time, a team drawn from H.M. naval forces defeated the Shanghai Rugby Club by 9 points (three tries) to 3 points (1 try) on Saturday last on the Polo ground at Shanghai. Signalman H. J. Root from H.M.S. Hawkins played a sterling game scoring all three tries, incidentally having three shirts torn off his back. Saturday was his twentieth birthday.

Isomura and Nakano (Nippon) beat C. W. Cheung and M. K. Lau 6-5.

lost to W. B. Ma and W. P. Chau 4-7.

lost to H. F. Un and W. K. Cheung 5-6.

Kurumi and Oishi (Nippon) lost to C. W. Cheung and M. K. Lau 2-9.

lost to W. B. Ma and W. P. Chau 1-10.

lost to H. F. Un and W. K. Cheung 0-11.

Total: Nippon Club, 32; C.R.C., 67.

Recreio v. South China A.A.

Played on the Club de Recreo courts, King's Park, the Home team winning by 9 games only.

Scores:—Ribeiro and A. V. Remedios (Recreio) beat C. N. Tsang and H. N. Tai 8-3.

beat C. Y. Tso and S. K. Ng 7-4.

lost to W. C. Li and L. K. Li 3-8.

Barretto and Carvalho (Recreio) beat C. N. Tsang and H. N. Tai 6-5.

beat C. Y. Tso and S. K. Ng 7-4.

lost to W. C. Li and L. K. Li 4-7.

Total: Recreio, 54; S.C.A.A., 45.

K.B.S.F.P.A. v. Craigengower.

Played on the Kowloon British School Former Pupils Association courts, King's Park, Craigengower winning by 19 games.

Scores:—Raiton and Punccheon (K.B.S.F.P.A.) lost to Souza and Remedios 5-6.

lost to Xavier and Kelly 5-6.

lost to Hamson and Phillips 5-6.

Bliss and Hadley (K.B.S.F.P.A.) lost to Souza and Remedios 3-8.

lost to Xavier and Kelly 4-7.

beat Hamson and Phillips 5-5.

Slipper and Greenhaugh (K.B.S.F.P.A.) lost to Souza and Remedios 5-6.

lost to Xavier and Kelly 2-9.

lost to Hamson and Phillips 5-6.

Total: K.B.S.F.P.A., 40; C.C.C., 59.

HOME FOOTBALL.

CLOSE OF SEASON MATCHES.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

The Home football season is rapidly drawing to its "official" close, as regards League football. There only remains one more week, according to the official programme. The Scottish League programme concluded on Saturday.

Saturday's Home football, as mentioned elsewhere, was marred by the sudden death of one of the Bury players while on the field participating in a game against Sheffield.

As a result of Saturday's play, Leeds United go above West Bromwich A. in the First Division by one point, the latter team losing to Derby C. Cardiff City, the Cup winners, were responsible for West Brom's defeat.

Clapton improved their chances in the Second Division of avoiding relegation. They now have played 41 games and are two points ahead of Darlington, third from bottom, who have 37 points. Darlington, however, did not play on Saturday, and have two more matches to play, and Clapton only one.

Middlesbrough were in this Division and, although Portsmouth were beaten they remain where they were, second. Manchester City, with the same number of games played, 40, are third with the same number of points as Portsmouth, 51.

In the Third Division Bristol City, head of the table, and Plymouth, second, both won. Bristol City now have 38 points and Plymouth 54 points. Each have three more matches to play, and if Plymouth can beat Bristol City this week and win the remaining two they will go into the Second Division, but it seems too much to ask.

In Division I, only nine of the eleven matches arranged were played, and there was also an unexpected match in Division II. Seven matches were won on home grounds in Division I, and two were drawn. Goals scored totalled 24, of which 20 were scored by home teams, and six by away teams.

In Division II, six matches were won at home, one away, and there were three drawn games. Goals scored totalled 22, of which 17 were scored by home teams, and five by away teams.

In Division III (Southern), six matches were won on home grounds, three away and there were two draws. Goals scored totalled 23, 18 being netted by home teams, and five by away teams.

In Division III (Northern), nine matches were won at home, one away and there was one draw. Goals scored totalled 43, 35 being scored by home teams, and 8 by away teams. These goals included scores of two sixes and one five by home winning teams.

THE RESULTS.

The results as cabled by Reuter, follow:—

English League: Division I.

Arsenal 3, Birmingham 1.

Bolton 2, 4, Huddersfield 1, 0.

Burnley 1, Leicester C. 1, 1.

Cardiff C. 1, Everton 0.

Derby C. 2, W. Brom. A. 1.

Leeds U. 6, West Ham 3.

Liverpool 1, Tottenham H. 0.

Manchester U. 0, Sunderland 0.

Newcastle U. 2, Wednesday 1.

The match between Aston Villa and Blackburn R. was not played, and the match between Sheffield U. and Bury was abandoned just before half-time, for reasons given below.

Division II.

Bradford C. 1, Barnsley 1.

Chelsea 0, Manchester C. 0.

Clapton 0, 1, Blackpool 0.

Hull C. 1, Oldham A. 2.

Middlesbrough 5, Reading 0.

Notts C. 3, Grimsby 2, 1.

Port Vale 1, Swansea 2, 1.

Southampton 1, Notts F. 0.

South Shields 1, Portsmouth 0.

Wolves 3, Fulham 1.

The match between Preston N.E. and Darlington was not played.

Division III. (Southern.)

Brentford 0, Gillingham 0.

Brighton & H.A. 1, Newport C. 0.

Bristol R. 4, Crystal Pal. 1.

Exeter C. 0, Queen's Park R. 2.

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ARRIVALS.

April 29th.

Campinas, French str., 1,972 tons, Capt. M. Yeguel, from Saigon, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Optory & Co.

Cuprum, American str., 3,170 tons, Capt. A. Stinson, from Seattle and Amoy, with general and lumber, lying at buoy No. A30.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Fenglei, Chinese str., 1,960 tons, Capt. T. Mori, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C29.—Yuen Shing Fat.

Sado Maru, Japanese str., 3,693 tons, Capt. K. Teramoto, from Bombay and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A8.—N.Y.K.

Seattle Maru, Japanese str., 5,852 tons, Capt. G. Fujita, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Toku Maru, Japanese str., 3,121 tons, Capt. Amaya, from Karatsu, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B20.—Y.K.K.

April 30th.

Dawawong, Chinese str., 1,047 tons, Capt. H. Island, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40.—Yuen Cheong Lee.

Elkridge, American str., 3,959 tons, Capt. J. T. Flynn, from San Francisco, with flour and kerolan, lying at Stonecutters.—Swayne Hoyt Inc.

Fingal, Norwegian str., 1,243 tons, Capt. N. B. Melson, from Port Campha, with a cargo of coal, lying at Yaumati.—Thorsen & Co.

Hafthor, Norwegian str., 791 tons, Capt. C. Beck, from Bangkok and Kohsichang, with rice and meal, lying at buoy No. C15.—Lee Bing Kee.

Havdrup, Norwegian str., 713 tons, Capt. G. E. Henriksen, from Sebatik, with a cargo of coal, lying at Stonecutters.—Karsten Larsen & Co.

Ho Sang, British str., 5,697 tons, Capt. J. M. Wright, from Calcutta and Straits, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Katsuragawa Maru, Japanese str., 1,423 tons, Capt. T. Kamei, from Moji, with a cargo of coal, lying at Yaumati.—M.B.K.

Malwa, British str., 5,935 tons, Capt. H. W. Randall, R.N.R., from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Mexico Maru, Japanese str., 3,551 tons, Capt. T. Motoshige, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—O.S.K.

Morino Maru, Japanese str., 3,038 tons, Capt. S. Nakashima, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Nam Sang, British str., 2,591 tons, Capt. F. Mooney, from Kobe and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

New Mahilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. E. G. Rapley, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C19.—Yick Tai S.S. Co.

Santhorpe, German str., 5,365 tons, Capt. H. Grantz, from Dairen and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—Melchers & Co.

Sekow Maru, Japanese str., 1,996 tons, Capt. H. Oiw, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B54.—O.S.K.

Tachung, Chinese str., 1,115 tons, Capt. T. Tschau, from Kohsichang, with rice and meal, lying at buoy No. C42.—Wallen & Co.

Tai Hai, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. Cheng Yung Fat, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Chong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

Tean, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. E. H. Histed, from Haiphong and Hoikow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17.—B. & S.

Tjibodas, Dutch str., 2,953 tons, Capt. O. J. V. d. Watering, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A26.—J.O.L.

Teian Maru, Japanese str., 2,400 tons, Capt. N. Uesugi, from Lungkow and Dairen, lying at buoy No. B21.—M.B.K.

May 1st.

Aeneas, British str., 10,058 tons, Capt. W. K. Wallace, from Liverpool via Straits, with a general cargo, lying at Hol's Wharf.—B. & S.

Haiching, British str., 1,267 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Foochow, Amoy any Swatow, with 200 tons of general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. C. W. Shearer, from Saigon, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39.—Wo Fat Shing.

Hong Sang, British str., 1,556 tons, Capt. B. J. Sneddon, from Taingtau and Swatow, with general cargo and live pigs, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

April 30th.

Anhui, for Amoy.

Chura Jensen, for Singapore.

Fooking, for Swatow.

Hong Sang, for Canton.

Ho Sang, for Amoy.

Hunkwa, for Chinwangtao.

Japan, for Shanghai.

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June 28	Seattle	Leviathan	Aug. 7	P'mth-C'brg Aug. 7
July 4	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 11	C'brg-Shmptn Aug. 12
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MANILA	Per. Jefferson	2nd May
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Dela	2nd May
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FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia	Shimo Maru	Monday, 2nd, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow	Yingchow	10.30 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Yamang	Parcels Noon
Formosa	Eiger	Letters 1.30 P.M.
Manila	Albridge	1.30 P.M.
Shanghai and EUROPE via Siberia	Shimo Maru	2.30 P.M.
Amoy	Yamang	2.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco—due San Francisco, 30th May & EUROPE via Siberia	Shimo Maru	Tuesday, 3rd, 9.45 A.M.
Hilo and Oahu	Cuprum	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 3rd May & Europe via Siberia	Per. Jefferson	Parcels 2.30 P.M.
Swatow	Yamang	Letters 2.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st June	Hu Ching	Wednesday, 4th, 9.45 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hu Ching	Letters 10.30 A.M.
Hankow and Haiphong	Yam	Thursday, 5th, 8.30 A.M.
Swatow	Yam	12.30 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Yam	Parcels 2.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Per. Garfield	Friday, 6th, Noon
Manila	Per. Garfield	Monday, 8th, 5.00 P.M.
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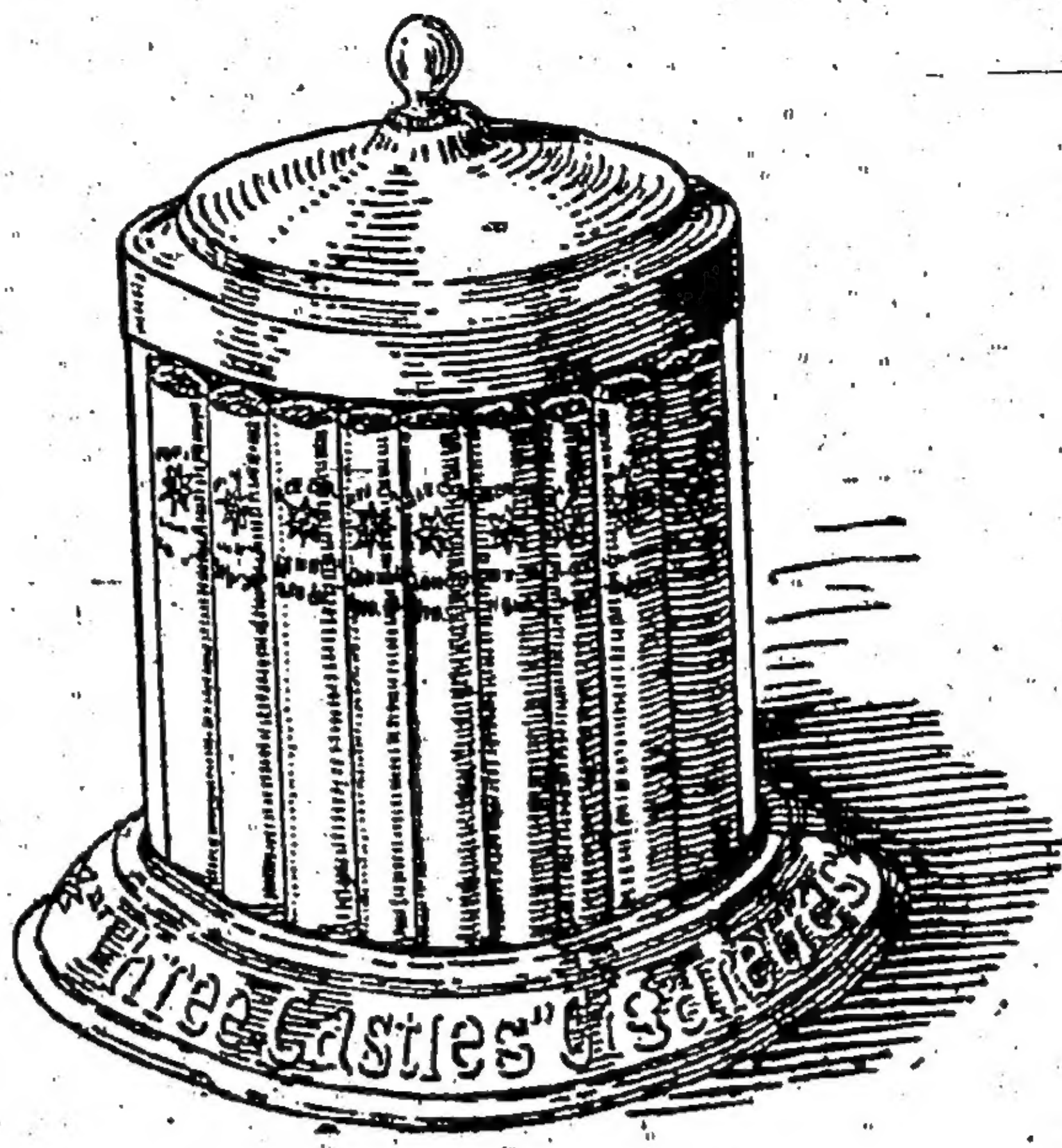
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